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Deficit reports misleading, Thomas says

Athletic budget questioned

By Paul Carson
Special Correspondent

The Athletic Department budget deficit, reported to be \$116,000 last semester, may be cleared by June 30, but it has not been wiped out yet, according to Michael F. Thomas, vice president financial affairs.

Thomas said stories published in The Parthenon previously this semester reporting the deficit had been wiped out should not be considered accurate.

Thomas said reports from Athletic Director Lynn J. Snyder that the deficit will be gone by this summer and budget proposals released by Snyder's office indicating the athletic department will enter the next fiscal year with a balance of \$17,816 are misleading.

However, Snyder said Tuesday he would stand by his earlier statement that the budget deficit would be cleared by this summer, although he said "yes and no" regarding whether a deficit exists now.

"I personally believe there is no deficit at this point in time" Snyder said. "However, this may be a question of terminology. We may be behind in our payments schedule and for this reason Mr. Thomas might say we have a deficit. But I would not call this a deficit until June 30. The Board of Regents gave us until then to clear the deficit and I fully expect to be operating in the black at that time."

Snyder said a budget submitted to and approved by the BOR indicated the department was behind on its payment schedule. However, he said that budget also indicated the problem will be taken care of this May when the department pays the university more than \$100,000 in grant-in-aid money owed from the 1982-83 school year.

"I'm not saying there will be a deficit June 30," Thomas said. "But I am saying there is a deficit now. I can't give you any specific figures and I don't know what might happen between now and June 30, but unless something drastic takes place the Athletic Department will still be looking at a deficit."

He said he will not be surprised if the deficit is in the neighborhood of \$100,000 again this summer.

Thomas said if the basketball team wins two or three games in the NCAA tournament the Athletic Department may realize enough revenue to bail it out of its financial woes. However, he said a team needs to win at least two games in the tournament before substantial game revenues are guaranteed to participating schools.

Thomas said the deficit may be cleared if benefactors could be found to contribute to the department. He said one sizable donation could go a long way toward easing the department's fiscal worries. However, he cautioned that contributions have been made before but were earmarked for equipment or other needs such as uniforms. He said donations enabled the basketball team to obtain new uniforms this year, but donations have not been utilized toward the reduction of the budget deficit.

Thomas said he is not in a position to refute figures contained in an interim budget released by the Athletic Department Jan. 25 outlining the department's projected expenditures and incomes through June 30. The interim budget lists total income through June 30 at \$826,956 and expenditures through the same time period at \$809,140, leaving a projected balance for the start of the next fiscal year at \$17,816.

Thomas said that if these projections are correct and there will be no budget deficit this summer, then it would be fair to assume that the deficit has been erased. However, he emphasized this is not an accurate assumption.

"Dr. Snyder can release an interim budget every three weeks," Thomas said, "but it will not alter the department's financial standing."

He said the Athletic Department is, in effect, already borrowing money from next year by not including football and basketball season ticket revenues in the 1984-85 budget, and this is a very poor accounting practice. Snyder agreed with that assertion but said it is a practice that has been followed in the past at Marshall. However, he said he hopes it will not be necessary in the future.

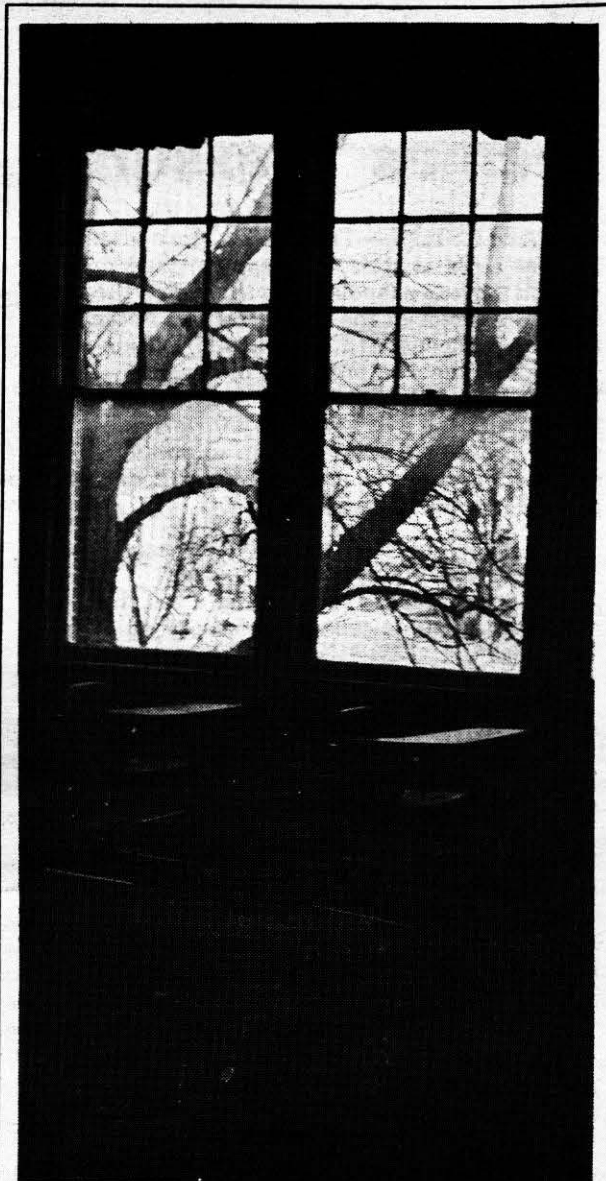


Photo by Bob Messer

Loneliness

Like some gothic painting, these two chairs in a dark room in Northcott Hall appear to mourn for by-gone days and laughing students.

Student activity fee increase approved

A \$7 increase in activity fees students pay each semester was approved last week by Acting President Sam E. Clagg.

The largest increase was granted to Health Services, which will receive an additional \$4, bringing its total to \$22 per semester from each full-time student.

The Artists Series will receive an increase of \$1.50, bringing its total to \$8.35 per semester.

the debate team will receive an increase of 25 cents, bringing its total to \$1.25 per semester.

Music Organizations will receive an increase of 25 cents, giving it a total of \$3.75 per semester in activity fees.

WMUL Radio will receive an increase of 50 cents, bringing its total to \$1.70 per semester.

Student Center Operations will receive an increase of 50 cents, bringing its total to \$31.50 received from each full-time student per semester.

Employees seek employers at job fair

By Becky Nelson
Staff Writer

The Business and job fair will be the place for students to get their questions answered about current job opportunities.

The fair will be in the Multi Purpose Room of the Memorial Student Center Wednesday from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The purpose of the fair is to connect employees with students in an informal setting, Reg Spencer, Career Placement director said. Local businesses help students find prospects for post graduation jobs, part-time and summer employment. Also, students can find career information with the different companies so they can pre-

pare for future interviews.

According to Spencer, the fair usually draws 35 to 50 employers within a 50 mile radius of Huntington. These companies set up booths at the fair, where students may stop and ask questions about the company's job prospects.

"There are no interviews since the fair's goal is to help students meet and discover as many prospective employers as possible," Spencer said.

According to Spencer the fair has proven to be quite popular with students.

"We've averaged more than 200 students and never dipped below 30 employers," he said.

The event was designed for business

management, marketing and finance majors. Although others are welcome to come, employers are usually from business fields.

"Any student who has a keen eye out for the future are welcome to attend," Spencer said.

Handouts on interviewing and resume writing techniques are available at the fair. In addition free refreshments are served.

The fair is an annual event that began 11 years ago by Spencer.

It is sponsored by Career Service and Placement Center, Accounting Club, Huntington Rotary, Alpha Kappa Psi, the American Marketing Association and Delta Sigma Pi, the National Management Association.

Fire alarms to be tested

Campus fire alarm systems will be inspected and tested between March 12 and 16, according to a notice distributed by Leonard E. Bedel, safety coordinator.

During the tests, the notice stated,

building alarms will sound for intermittent periods until all devices have been checked. However, the Bedel said it is not necessary to evacuate the buildings during the test.

Beyond MU

From The Associated Press

W.Va.

Salaries increase seen as 'pressure'

CHARLESTON— The Legislature's efforts to raise salaries at state colleges is putting pressure on private schools to do the same, the new interim director of the West Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges said Tuesday.

Richard Shearer, president of Alderson-Broadbent and the foundation's newly appointed leader, said the average salary for private school professors is lower than in public schools, but many teachers prefer to teach at private schools anyway.

Still, he said, "you must have enough financial reward to make a decent living."

The Legislature is considering a bill that would raise public college professors' salaries 7.5 percent.

Regents deny appeal

CHARLESTON— The state Board of Regents on Tuesday rejected an attempt by a Marshall medical school applicant to win in-state student status, noting that she has claimed Tennessee residency as an undergraduate.

In her appeal, Teigha Jan Randolph said she holds a West Virginia driver's license and has paid state income tax since age 16. She moved to the state in 1969 with her mother following her parents' divorce.

The regents, however, upheld a decision by acting Marshall President Sam Clagg to deny her West Virginia resident status because she has been paying lower in-state tuition in Tennessee, where her father lives. According to a staff summary of the case, she is classified as a resident student at East Tennessee State University, where she is a senior this year.

Ms. Randolph's appeal said her mother was awarded legal custody in the divorce proceedings and has provided more than half of her financial support. She acknowledged receiving some support from her father, however.

Acting Chancellor William Simmons used the meeting to make a last-minute pitch for approval of the higher education faculty pay bill pending in the Legislature, which concludes its regular 1984 session on Saturday.

Simmons called a Senate-approved bill providing 7.5 percent pay raises and a \$1.5 million "equalization pool" to standardize faculty salaries statewide a "step in the right direction."

Benedict files for House

CHARLESTON— Former Rep. Cleve Benedict filed Tuesday to run for the U.S. House of Representatives seat he gave up two years ago to make an unsuccessful bid for the U.S. Senate.

The Lewisburg Republican filed with the secretary of state as a candidate for the 2nd Congressional District seat now held by Democratic Rep. Harley O. Staggers Jr. of Keyser.

Benedict became the first candidate in either party to submit an official entry as a June 5 primary election contender for a congressional seat.

Benedict was the GOP's unsuccessful U.S. Senate nominee in 1982 against Sen. Robert C. Byrd, D-W.Va.

Also filing entries with the secretary of state on Tuesday were two circuit judges, both Democrats, running for new terms in the posts they now hold. They were Frank E. Joliffe of Lewisburg, judge of the 11th Judicial Circuit, and John M. Hamilton of Moorefield, judge of the 22nd Circuit.

U.S.

Prayer needed, Reagan asserts

COLUMBUS, Ohio— President Reagan told evangelical church leaders Tuesday that passage of a constitutional amendment ending a 22-year ban on officially condoned prayer in public schools "would do more than any other action to reassert the faith and values that made America great."

But, in a speech prepared for the annual conference of the National Association of Evangelicals, Reagan said the proposal being debated on the floor of the Senate can't pass without the group's help. He urged its members to lobby their senators and representatives to "show the world that America is still one nation, under God."

Reagan said "America has begun a spiritual reawakening" after a decade in which it seemed to lose its religious and moral bearings.

And, although he expressed hope the Soviet leadership might find faith in God, he took a more conciliatory attitude toward Moscow and its new leadership than he did a year ago when he called the Soviet Union "an evil empire" in a speech to a meeting of the same organization in Orlando, Fla.

In keeping with the generally muted rhetoric he has used since the selection last month of Konstantin U. Chernenko to succeed the late Yuri V. Andropov, Reagan offered to renew his administration's efforts to ease East-West tensions "if the new Soviet leadership is willing."

UAW may strike in '84

DETROIT— United Auto Workers President Owen Bieber declared today the union is "not looking for fights," but wouldn't rule out a strike in efforts to win big pay raises from the major automakers.

Speaking to the 2,500 delegates at the UAW's bargaining convention, Bieber said the union would reject any company attempts to replace wage increases with profit-sharing.

Workers deserve raises commensurate with bonuses paid to "greedy" company executives, he said. "If these executives, who are providing so well for themselves, think for one minute that they can convince workers to do without an up-front raise this summer, they better think again."

Delegates to the convention will map strategy for this summer's negotiations with General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Co. and four other large industrial corporations.

"We are not looking for fights," Bieber said. "...But if the power of persuasion doesn't work, we will use the persuasion of power, if that's what is necessary."

The U.S. auto industry last month announced record profits of \$6.1 billion in wages in 1983. GM netted a record \$3.73 billion, while Ford earned \$1.87 billion.

OSHA head resigns

WASHINGTON— The controversial head of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration resigned Tuesday, saying "nobody stays in these jobs forever" and stressing that his departure has nothing to do with persistent criticism from labor and consumer groups.

Thorne G. Auchter, 39, confirmed in an interview that he will leave, effective March 30, to head a large construction company in Kansas.

Speculation on a successor centered on Patrick R. Tyson, deputy assistant secretary of OSHA, who has been with the agency for seven years. Labor Department officials declined to comment.

World

Chemical warfare denied by Iraq

NICOSIA, Cyprus— Iraq denied Tuesday it used chemical weapons against Iran and called the United States "unbalanced and hypocritical" for saying that it believed Iran's claims.

Iraq also said it began a major counterattack to recapture the Majnoon Islands oil field. Iraq said if that failed, it may have to "destroy" Kharg Island, Iran's major terminal for oil exports in the Persian Gulf.

Iran, which seized Majnoon Feb. 25, verified that Iraq had begun a "massive" counterattack but said it was repulsed with heavy losses.

The claims could not be independently verified. Foreign correspondents are rarely permitted in war zones during battles.

IRA slays prison official

BELFAST, Northern Ireland— IRA gunmen shot and killed a deputy governor of the Maze prison outside his Belfast home Tuesday in front of his wife and 3-year-old daughter, police said.

A police spokesman said two gunmen approached the victim on foot and fired several shots from point-blank range as the wife and child screamed. "He died instantly," said the spokesman, who declined to be identified.

The Irish Republican Army claimed responsibility for the killing in a statement to Belfast news organizations and said it "should serve as a salutary lesson" to Maze officials.

The IRA said the victim was William McConnell, and police confirmed the identification.

McConnell, who officials said was in his mid-30s, was one of several deputy governors at the Maze, a sprawling prison outside Belfast where many top guerrilla suspects from feuding Roman Catholic and Protestant extremist groups are jailed. The Maze was the scene of a hunger strike in 1981 in which 10 Catholic guerrillas died in an unsuccessful bid to be accorded special treatment as political prisoners.

Protested missile goes up

GRAND CENTRE, Alberta— An unarmed cruise missile, riding on a U.S. B-52 bomber, took off from North Dakota Tuesday for a test run over Canada, and a Canadian court rejected anti-nuclear protesters' efforts to stop it.

The Federal Court of Canada in Ottawa dismissed an anti-cruise coalition's request Tuesday morning for an injunction to halt the test. Lt. Jim Stratford, public affairs officer at the Grand Forks Air Force Base in North Dakota, said, "The test is going to proceed as planned."

The injunction was sought by Operation Dismantle, a coalition of peace, women's and labor groups. Gordon Henderson, a lawyer for the group, contended that allowing the flight to begin before the Supreme Court of Canada rules on another case questioning the permissibility of the tests would be an "abuse of power" by the United States government.

The scheduled 13-hour test flight was under way several hours before the Ottawa courthouse opened. Capt. Luigi Rossetto, a Canadian military spokesman, said the plane's crew was told not to begin the final test run until midmorning, giving time for the Federal Court of Canada to rule.

Opinion

MU should demand a responsible senate

Following the resignation of five student senators this semester, one has to wonder about the kind of representatives the Marshall student body is electing.

Senators have dropped out of office citing health and financial reasons among others. Although it is impossible to know the full details surrounding each withdrawal from campus government (many I'm sure are valid), it is obvious that some senators are not realizing the responsibility they are entrusted with by their fellow students.

Each ballot cast by a student for a particular candidate during elections is a bond of trust and an expression of faith in that candidate's ability to represent the voter's constituency. The voter and candidate enter a moral contract, each trusting the other to carry out the agreement.

However, some senators have opted not to fulfill that agreement, leaving it up to commit-

tee caucuses to appoint a replacement, thereby violating the voting contract.

Student Government, in my opinion, has one objective - to protect the property of the Marshall student body. By property I mean rights: the right to representation in campus affairs, the right to an active leadership extolling higher education, and the right to a buffering force between administration and students.

Marshall students should demand that their elected officials carry out their election agreements and not stand by as their constituency seats are hand picked by committees.

Apart from the moral imperative suggested in the election process, resignations impede the progress of student government. Senate President Chris Swindell perhaps put it best when he asked, "How effective can the senate be when you're constantly training new people?"

Undoubtedly, the answer must be "not very effective."



Edgar Simpson

Each resignation should be scrutinized to test the validity. A process should be put in place whereby a senator may resign, but if the motivation behind it is not deemed valid, that senator should be barred from holding campus office in the future.

Certainly, four student senate resignations will not cause student senate to crumble to its knees. But it does detract from the effectiveness of the organization and that must be stopped. Students must demand senators that will fulfill election agreements and an effective student senate.

Our Readers Speak

Queen says he had good reason for leaving meeting

Editor:

Hesitantly but hopefully positively I hope to clear up a few issues former Marshall University Student Body President Ed Hamrick so vaguely brought out in his letter to the editor in Friday's edition of the Parthenon.

Yes, it is true. I did walk out of the Governor's meeting. However, it wasn't because I did not feel that representing the Marshall student body wasn't important but because the Governor was rudely late for a meeting he set up. Secondly, how really effective is an advisory board of any type when issues have already been decided on and there is less than two weeks left in the legislative session? For example,

what good does the advisory board do when Governor Rockefeller has already taken a stand on the drinking age? The Governor never even had a student on his Drunk Driving Task Force and the youngest person on it was 31 years old. How do actions such as this solicit sincere student opinion on issues like these? Furthermore, what good would the Advisory Board hope to accomplish knowing the Governor does things like this?

When Hamrick was president, the Advisory Board met earlier in the session than it did this year. I think this makes the board more political in favor of the Governor so he can say he met and consulted the students. It is my position not to participate in last minute attempts to justify the Governor's position.

The Advisory Board concept of providing student representation is great and I will not stand around and watch the Governor make a mockery of it. That is why I left.

So Mr. Hamrick, if I offended you that is something you will have to cope with. The students of Marshall University deserve better than what the Governor is advocating. I've never accepted being quiet when something goes down that's not fair to the Marshall students. So, if you are supporting the Governor's actions in this situation the students should be glad you're not student body president anymore.

Michael L. Queen
Student Body President

MU supporters less rude than other conference fans

Editor:

I am writing in response to the recent editorial of the Marshall University student newspaper concerning profane and unruly fans.

I have been a faithful Herd basketball follower both home and on the road for the past ten plus seasons. I regard myself as one of the most outspoken of the fans, particularly at home games, to the point that many "family-oriented" fans refrain from sitting near me. In defense of myself and others like me, when I enter any arena which has the privilege of housing a Marshall basketball game, I am oriented one way and that is towards basketball and success of the Herd. Perhaps on occasions, I have abused my verbal privileges as a fan and have witnessed similar outbursts from others. In this, however, I still consider Marshall University fans as a whole one of the

most courteous and consistent group of supporters in the sport.

Essentially all outbursts by the fans at Marshall are verbal and never directed towards named individuals. The fans, with the exception of one incident this year, never come into contact with players or coaches.

I watched the regular season game live against Western Carolina and had the advantage of rewatching the finish of the game repeatedly on video tape. I was amazed at the physical abuse several of the Marshall players took from W.C. "fans" in their closing celebration and the continuous bombardment of Coach Huckabay and the team by airborne debris during the game. I have never seen this at the Henderson Center. I felt as if I were watching a game in the coliseum at Morgantown.

I attended the regular season M.U./Davidson

game at Davidson. The "gymnasium" which housed the game afforded the Marshall University fans a rare opportunity to voice displeasure about officials and alike where they could be fully appreciated by those on the playing floor. However, poor Coach Huckabay, known in the Conference as "Huck," was the focus of several chants throughout the game by the wholesome Presbyterian students in attendance, which associated his abbreviated name with other rhyming and obnoxious verbs.

I feel that before one criticizes the conduct of Marshall University fans, they should go with the Herd on the road to get a sample of other Conference crowds' ideas of sportsmanship. Then the criticism about a few in the Henderson Center would be far overshadowed by the superbness of the thousands.

Jerry L. Frame
Class of 1980

Huckabay fan disgusted with Parthenon

Editor:

Wait a minute. You, the school newspaper, the people who write to represent our school are actually kicking Marshall University's gift horse in the mouth! How dare you talk about Mr. Rick Huckabay in the manner you did in February 28th's opinion page. Perhaps you ought to write for UT-Chattanooga's newspaper - they hate Coach Huckabay and they're 700 miles away. I didn't know that we have writers from their newspaper writing for ours. Did you actually read your article before you printed it?

First, has Joe B. Hall ever been criticized for Kentucky's malicious fan conduct? Has Ray Meyer ever been criticized for the fans' conduct at DePaul? I compliment Coach Huckabay for refusing to take a stand against MU's "obscene and vulgar fans," as

such you stated in your very opinionated article. Let's face it. The Marshall basketball program has put Huntington, W.Va. back on the map, as the nation will witness March 11th, when NBC shows Herd Basketball at halftime of the ACC Championship Game. I am one student who feels that the Parthenon should write in a manner which is supportive of our school's athletic achievements. I hope that you take this letter to heart, because it's time to start writing with a positive attitude towards our faculty, fans, and athletes, rather than the one for which you are so noted!!!

THINK ABOUT IT,
James H. Ford

A representative for the proud student body behind Rick Huckabay and his hard work achievements

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Gridiron bikers

Two members of Marshall's revamped football team, Mike Copenhaver, Weirton junior, and Tony Lelle, Colliers junior, taking full advantage of the freedom and fun before spring practice

begins March 26. Then it's all pads, helmets, curfews, playbooks and guts, as new head coach, Stan Parrish takes the field.

Photo by Katie Lilly

Language week festivities go on

March 4-10 has been proclaimed "Foreign Language Week" by Huntington's Mayor, J. Roger Smith, and is being celebrated on campus this week with lectures today and Thursday.

Today, Dagmar Weill, will speak about educational repression during the Third Reich. Her lecture, entitled "Das Deutsche Schulwesen Nach 1945 ein Überblick," will be at 8 p.m. in Smith Hall Room 409.

Thursday, Francoise Falkenholm will speak about changes and modifications in the French system of secondary education. Her lecture, entitled "Le Bachelot", is at 8 p.m. Thursday in Smith Hall Room 411.

College bowl tourney ends with MU fourth

By Robin Ratliff
Staff Writer

The Marshall University Varsity College Bowl team and MU's medical school team tied for fourth place, in a field of eight, during weekend competition of the John Marshall College Bowl Invitational Tournament.

The varsity and junior varsity teams competed with Purdue University, Ohio State University and Lehigh University, which placed first, second and third, respectively, in the round robin tournament, according to Dr. David Cusick, associate professor of mathe-

matics and team coach.

Also competing in the tournament were the University of Charleston and the University of Maryland at College Park.

Stephen E. Wharton, Parkersburg senior; Brad Wind, Huntington senior; Jeffery D. Maynard, Kenova senior; and Terry Messinger, Branchland senior, competed on the varsity team. Elaine Sheppard, Williamson junior; Ellen Risch, Huntington junior; Randall Meredith, Canonsburg, Pa. senior; William Mitchell, Portsmouth, Ohio, sophomore; and Jackie Mooney, were members of the junior varsity team.

Dormitory signup dates scheduled

By Janice Boggs
Staff Writer

Those students living in the residence halls may reserve a room for next fall, April 2, in Twin Towers East formal lounge, according to the office of housing and conference facilities.

Upperclassmen may register for Laidley Hall March 21-22, which has been closed this school year, because of the lack of residents, however, it will reopen in August.

Laidley will become an upperclass co-educational residence hall, whereas in the past it was a women's residence hall, with residents determining its visitation policy. Also available to Laidley's residents is a new sauna which was installed in 1983. There is also a lounge with a television. A kitchen will be on second floor that will include one oven, a four-burner stove, cabinet space, a small refrigerator and a sink.

Honor students, including sophomores with a minimum grade point average of 3.3, will be assigned rooms on the first floor. Single rooms will be assigned by rank, Ray F. Welty, manager of housing and conference facilities, said. Students who sign up early will have an advantage because their room assignments will be given first, Welty said.

When upperclassmen register on March 21-22 for Laidley Hall, they will vote on their visiting hours preference; they may choose 24 hours, seven days a week, according to Welty.

An open house, hosted by Susan M. Conrad, Laidley head resident, is scheduled for March 7 and 20, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Hodges Hall, a hall for male athletes, will have a quiet study floor on the current wing on second floor. Football players now have the option to live elsewhere besides Hodges Hall. Rooms will be offered to non-athletes this fall.

Holderby Hall, a co-ed hall, will allow students who prefer a single room, an assigned room on second through fifth floors, Welty said. However, residents may yet occupy a double room on those floors.

Twin Towers East and West's tenth floor will not observe 24-hour visitation weekends, assuming enough residents choose that option, Welty said. Single rooms will be on the Towers' second floor, unless students prefer a double. Sign-up for the non-24 visitation option will be March 21-22 in the housing office.

Upperclassmen will be offered a 10-meal plan option starting in the fall. Prices are not available because contract approvals between ARA food services and MU have to be made by the state purchasing office in Charleston, Welty said.

Students will be required to pay a \$50 deposit when registering for Laidley Hall's room reservations March 21-22 and for the other halls on April 2. Students will have their meal ticket picture taken at the same time they sign up for their rooms, Welty said.

Room cancellations made before July 1 will be refunded, he said.

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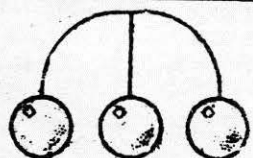
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Sports

Herd's full-fueled Battle puts heat on opponents

By Tom Alulse
Staff Writer

If automobiles were fueled by the same energy that makes Jeff Battle tick, we might have never seen buck-a-gallon gasoline.

It's simple: Marshall's plucky 5-foot-10 guard makes things happen when he pops off the bench and puts his unlimited energy supply to use.

Such spirited play on the court has made Battle a favorite among Marshall fans and a member of the all-tournament team at last weekend's Southern Conference Tournament in Asheville, N.C.

Battle, along with Sam Ervin and tournament MVP LaVerne Evans, was a first-team selection. David Wade was a second-team choice.

Battle never started but played 72 minutes in the Herd's three games and dished out 21 assists, while scoring 32 points. He also connected on 16 of his 18 attempts from the foul line and made six steals.

In Marshall's second-round 97-67 rout of Appalachian State, Battle scored 14 points and had seven assists and three steals in 19 minutes of action. It was the type of spark-plug performance that is now almost routinely expected of Battle.

"My playing time will depend on the type of game we're in," the Philadelphia native said. "If the game has slowed down I'll come in and try to spark us. That's my role."

Exactly how Battle will perk up matters is always a question until he zips a seemingly impossible bounce pass through three defenders, pops in a 20-footer or uses thievery on an opposing ball handler and turns the steal into an easy layup.

Against Appalachian State, Battle scored 12 of his 14 points in the second

half, hit eight of 10 free throws and both of his field goal attempts as the Herd pulled away from the Mountaineers.

The victory was especially sweet for Battle.

Jan. 23, Marshall lost to Appalachian State in Boone, N.C., 84-83. A Battle pass with 12 seconds remaining was intercepted by an Appy State player and led to the Mountaineers' winning basket.

It didn't help when Battle, forced to improvise after a last-second broken play, game-winning shot at the buzzer.

"I had never felt so bad after a basketball game," Battle said afterward. "Never in playground, high school, anywhere."

Battle said time has healed his distress but admitted he was happy to have played well

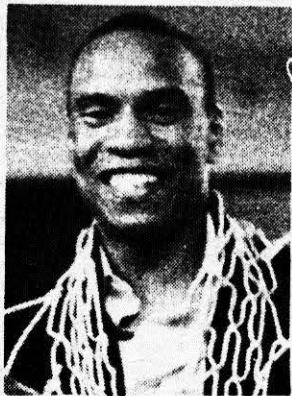
against the Mountaineers.

"I talked to coach (Dan) Bell in his office after we lost to Appalachian State and he told me that game could be the key to success this season," Battle said. "After the game we pulled together as a team. The loss was positive."

Marshall is looking for more positive results - this time after one of its biggest victories in the school's history - as it prepares for the NCAA tournament. It will be Marshall's first appearance in the prestigious tournament since the 1971-72 season.

The top teams in the nation loom ahead.

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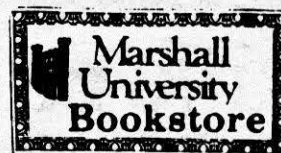
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A Message from Senator Lacy Wright:

People wonder why I am a critic of the government of Jay Rockefeller. Let me try to tell you why.

First of all, I believe we have to get the truth from our government. Last month the Rockefeller administration tried to make us believe that the present law would not allow the West Virginia Department of Human Services to remove a four-year-old girl from a home from which an 18-month-old abused baby boy had already been rescued.

The truth is that the Rockefeller Administration had the right and the duty to protect those children.

The administration failed its duty and the four-year-old child was left in the home. We all know what happened next.

The Commissioner of the Department of Human Services tried to cover up. He tried to say he was powerless. I won't let him cover up. He had the power and the duty. I won't let him shift the blame.

This is why I am a critic. This is why I demand accountability.

Demand the truth from those who seek your vote in 1984.

By the way, I paid for this message. Help me lead a crusade to chase the incompetents from state government.

Deserving Marshall fans rewarded after long wait

Marshall 111, UT-Chattanooga 107. Rick Huckabay climbed the ladder, blew kisses to the screaming sea of green which still flooded the Asheville Civic Center and finally took his turn at chopping a portion of the net from the basket.

Perhaps it was symbolic.

Rick Huckabay has been scaling a ladder of sorts all season, trying to reach its top. Its rungs have been both supportive and shaky.

There has been a near fight with an opposing coach, the flaying of conference referees, alleged derogatory remarks about the Southern Conference and several of its teams and subsequent criticism from a number of the league's officials, coaches and athletic directors.

It was a welcomed outspokenness in Huntington though and at Marshall University - at least to the followers of Marshall basketball. Marshall and Huntington believe in Rick Huckabay. They are the supportive rungs of the ladder, so to speak.

Sunday Marshall beat UT-C for the third time this season and handed the Moccasins their first loss in the Southern Conference Tournament.

Rick Huckabay reached the summit of ladder.

"All year long I've wanted to do something special for the people that believed in us," Huckabay said to about 5,000 people who greeted the Herd at Henderson Center Sunday night.

It was special indeed, for very special fans.

Eighteen years of losing on the football field and years of frustration on the basketball court have starved the backers of Marshall athletics for the success Rick Huckabay has brought to the university.

No more frustration. Marshall will be playing in a post-season tournament. Finally.

In the midst of the post-game activities Sunday, Marshall Athletic Director Lynn Snyder grabbed the microphone to announce MU's accep-

Tom Aluise



tance of the NCAA Tournament bid.

"I accept this on behalf of Rick Huckabay, a fine group of young men and the greatest fans in the country!" Marshall rooters are certainly the greatest in the Southern Conference. They had to travel the farthest to Asheville, but yet were the most in number. They cheered and cheered and cheered. I don't remember the number of people I spoke with that were hoarse.

And, I don't remember seeing very many Herd followers without green somewhere on their body. There were green hats, pants, shirts, shoes, faces, jackets, ties... Asheville's Civic Center was virtually painted green by Marshall fans.

The players noticed.

Jeff Battle, the night before the finals: "The fans are a big factor, especially when a team looks around and sees all this green. Tom Franz (Davidson player) came up to me in warmups and said 'how can you have so many fans?'"

Robert Eppes: "At Walker (junior college) we had great fan support but the fans here are a lot more rowdy. At Walker they were more laid back. At Marshall, the fans try to help you get going."

Other fans noticed.

A Chattanooga die-hard: "It's a great honor for Marshall to have a crowd like that."

How true.

The Marshall faithful deserved what happened last weekend.

They deserved Rick Huckabay. He deserved them.

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Shake, partner

David Wade offers congratulations, western style, to Marshall Coach Rick Huckabay after the Herd's 111-107 victory over UT-Chattanooga that gave the Herd the Southern Conference championship.

Huckabay at the Bat

Editor's Note: Poetry is not the usual fare of the sports page. But the recent accomplishments of the Thundering Herd have caused some weak moments in us all.

*"It looked extremely grim for the Marshall men that day,
For the game was tied in regulation and the overtime was
yet to play.*

*But eventually there came a roar from the MU side,
It thundered to the pressbox and echoed far and wide.
Men were going crazy, women were in heaven,
The Herd had just been put on top by number 32, LaVerne
Evans.*

*LaVerne had been a workhorse, playing hard throughout
the game,
Without him shooting well, for sure, Marshall wouldn't be
the same.*

*And now the Herd outscored the Mocs,
By a margin of ten to three.*

*Two of those coming on a vicious slam, by 'Vanilla
Thunder' Don Turney.*

*We were ahead, but the pressure was on, the defense had to
hold.*

*For if UT-C scored and won the game the fans would
surely scold.*

*But Huck's team rose to the occasion, stopping the Mocs in
their tracks,*

**Kennie
Bass**



*Then we had the ball anew, looking for more points to
rack.*

*And score we did, on a jumper from Wade, and free throws
from a man named Battle.*

*Willie White started limping around, for he'd been rocked
and he'd been rattled.*

*As Ervin put in the final point the scoring came to an end,
And as the clock ticked to a close, MU had the win...*

*Oh, somewhere in this fabled land there is a happy place,
Where doggies bark and children laugh and smiles rest on
each face.*

*Yes, somewhere in this fabled land the sun shines fair and
just.*

*But there is no joy at UT-C,
The mighty Mocs have bit the dust."*

*Huck, you and your team are incredible. Congratulations,
and see you in Seattle.*

Sports Briefs

Bat girls

Any female student interested in being a bat girl for this year's baseball team should come to Gullickson Hall Room 123 at 3:30 p.m. today. About six new bat girls will be picked, Coach Jack Cook said.

Candidates should wear shorts and a blouse. The team captains and assistant coaches will choose the new bat girls.

Tennis team

Any women interested in playing on the tennis team should attend the organizational meeting Thursday at 4:00 p.m. in Gullickson Hall Room 124.

WANTED:



Persons interested in working on 1984 Springfest concert activities.

Meet today in the Student Activities Office, room 2W38, at 3:30 p.m. or call 696-6770 for details.

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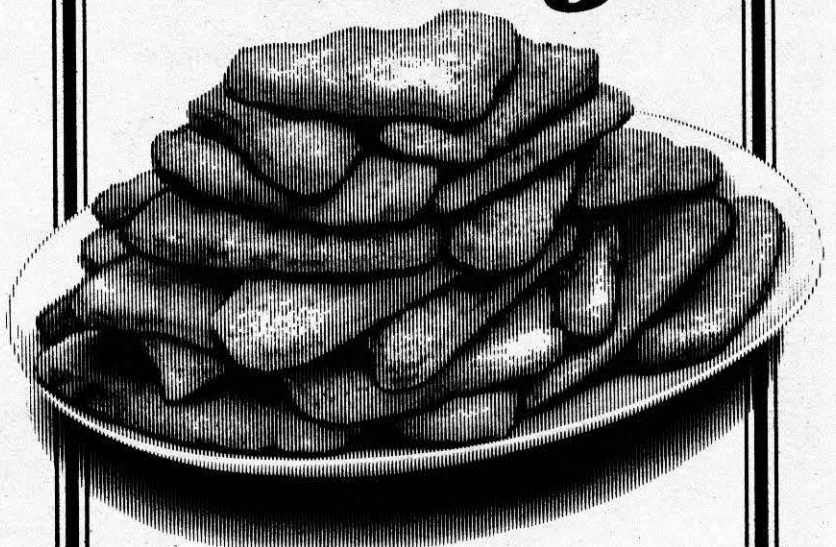
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—Calendar—

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MDA Fundraising Committee will have registration for the WKEE/SGA Superdance from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. until March 21 in the Memorial Student Center lobby. A \$2 fee is required for the dance and all proceeds will go to the Muscular Dystrophy Association. For more information call 696-6435.

Candidates for the positions of Dean of the College of Education will meet with faculty and students this week. Candidate, Dr. Donald H. Bennion, will meet with faculty members at 3 p.m. Wednesday and with students at 2 p.m. Thursday. Dr. Ronald Goldenberg will meet with faculty members at 3 p.m. Thursday. For more information call 696-6606.

Student Council for Exceptional Children will meet at 4 p.m. Wednesday in Jenkins Hall Room 215. A movie entitled "Learning to talk about sex when you'd rather not" will be shown. For more information contact Kim Kesecker at 523-3913.

Young Democrats will meet at 5 p.m. Wednesday in the Student Government Office. For more information contact George Snider at 529-7912.

Students for Christ will meet at 9 p.m. Thursday in the Memorial Student Center Room 2W37. Everyone is welcome. For more information call 529-1341.

Psi Chi will meet at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Harris Hall Room 342. Officers will be elected and club events will be discussed. For more information contact Perry Hall at 523-4713.

MU Psychology Dept. will sponsor a lecture from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Thursday in Harris Hall Room 134. Dr. Christina M.B. Arco, associate professor of psychology at the University of Charleston, will present a discussion of "Individuality in Infancy: Descriptions and research Applications of the Neonatal Behavioral Assessment Scale." Everyone is welcome.

MU Women's Center will sponsor a lunchbag seminar from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday in Prichard Hall Room 101. Judy Southard, MU women's basketball coach, will discuss "Sportswomen," the changing role of women in the intercollegiate sports and the rights accorded women athletes by Title IX. For more information contact the Women's Center.

MU Soccer Team will be selling T-shirts Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday in the Henderson Center. The shirts cost \$4 and the proceeds will go to pay for a tournament trip to the University of Connecticut. Interested persons may contact Jack DeFazio between noon and 5 p.m. at 696-4659 in the Henderson Center Room 233 or any soccer team members.

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